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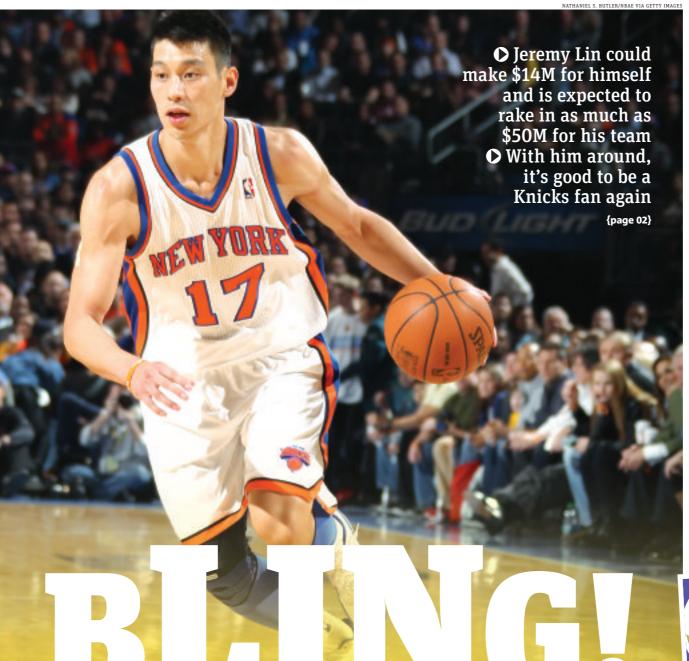
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### **Romney slips** on Santorum momentum

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### The British are coming, sort of

So bloody many IN ASSOCIATION WITH designers at **Fashion Week** are taking cues from across the pond {page 18}







### In the news Four officer suicides so far

A Queens police officer is the fourth cop to commit suicide this year. The New York Post reported that Matthew Schindler, 39, shot himself Monday after texting his sergeant to tell him he would not see him again. His death follows Brian Saar who shot himself Feb. 5 after arguing with his wife, Terrence Dean, 28, who killed himself on Jan. 15, and Patrick Werner, who shot himself after reportedly fleeing a car accident. METRO/AB

### In the news



### Cop shot in arm A police officer was shot yesterday during

shot yesterday during a scuffle with a man in Harlem, who was also shot. Kevin Herlihy, above, was chasing the suspect, Michael McBride, who fled into the subway, but not before turning and firing, hitting Herlihy in the left arm. Herlihy fired back, and McBride was killed, said the mayor. Herlihy is in stable condition. 

METRO/AB

# Linsanity means more cash for the NY Knicks

Newest sports star Jeremy Lin drives fan viewership, stock prices and his own brand ▶ Harvard grad valued at \$14 million, projected to bring in as much as \$50 million for the Knicks ▶ So much for couch surfing

Is Jeremy Lin the New York Knicks' \$14 million man?

That's what Forbes estimated the newest celebrity sports star's brand worth. But for the Knicks, he's likely worth millions more than that.

The point guard, who is also a Harvard graduate, has revived a previously lagging season for the New York basketball franchise, first shooting to fame with 25 points in a Feb. 4 game against the New Jersey Nets.

Forbes writer Patrick Rishe estimated that the 6-foot-3 star could boost the team's revenue by as much as \$50 million in its 2012-2013 season,

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**Knicks** couch

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and help bring in between \$40 million to \$80 million for the NBA overall this season.

Since that Feb. 4 game, Lin's stellar playing has meant wins, against teams like the Los Angeles Lakers and Minnesota Timberwolves, for five games in a row. Lin and the Knicks are expected to take on the Sacramento Kings at the Garden tonight.

Viewership is up 70 percent compared to last season, according to MSG Media data.

And more fans means boosted finances: MSG stock is up from \$29.32 per share on Feb. 4 to \$32.03 yesterday,

ange-and-blue basketball

number, 17, on them, ac-

cording to the New York

Post. But Lin likely won't

be needing it, as the New

York Daily News reported

yesterday that he moved

into a Trump Tower two-

bedroom apartment in

White Plains, N.Y.

METRO/AB

throw pillows with his

which is about \$139 million more for the company's market value, according to Forbes.

At the Midtown NBA store, manager Kevin Curry-Wise said he received 20 calls for Lin jerseys by noon yesterday. "People want to know when they can get it." he said. "America loves an underdog story."

And at Modell's, New Jersey dad Chuck Olsen said he was ordered to grab a Lin jersey before they ran out.

"My wife called me and told me to run here," he said.





### **Ticket prices soar**

- According to Ticketsnow.com, seats for tonight's game are going for as high as \$3,083.
- But only 10 days ago, tickets could be had for as low as \$47 on Craigslist for the Feb. 4 game against the New Jersey Nets.

# Time Warner customers in the dark

About 2 million New Yorkers are missing the biggest story in basketball right now due to an ill-timed broadcast dispute between Time Warner and MSG Net-

work, the sports channel owned by Madison Square Garden that carries most of Lin's games.

The two sides have not been able to strike a new deal, which means Time Warner Cable subscribers in the New York area are unable to watch Lin's sudden rise to fame.

REUTERS

# Water main break floods Delancey Street

BOWERY. A water main break turned a well-traveled thoroughfare into a vast puddle yesterday morning, causing severe traffic delays. Just before 9 a.m., an underground pipe burst, flushing water onto Delancey Street.

The street was completely shut down between Bowery and Christie Street, with scores of emergency workers trying to plug the gushing water. Traffic onto and coming off the Williamsburg Bridge was bumper-to-bumper for hours.

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# Eleven hurt in Trump fire

A fire that ripped through a Trump Place apartment building on the Upper West Side yesterday injured 11 people, including one firefighter, according to the New York Daily News. The fire started at 5 a.m. on the third floor of the building at 180 Riverside Blvd. Most of the victims were treated for minor smoke inhalation, but one person was rushed to the hospital in serious condition. METRO/CB

# Sister of Kelly's accuser vows 'truth will be known'

**NEW YORK.** The twin sister of the woman who accused Greg Kelly of raping her has taken to Facebook to defend her sibling's credibility.

She created a page, called "Shame on the NY Post" in protest of the Post's decision to publish the accuser's name and photo with the headline "Shady Lady" after the Manhattan DA declined to press charges against Kelly last week.

She also denied that her sister continued to text Kelly about getting together again after Oct. 8, the night she said

he raped her.

"A victim doesn't text her rapist to 'hook up' again — and neither did [she]," her sister said.

She went on to promise that her sister, the accuser, will eventually speak out.

"It's been horrendous to see something that I experienced, by supporting my sister these past 4 months, to be completely mangled by the press ... But in due time, [she] will speak and the truth will be known. I can promise that," she wrote.

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# Stop-and-frisks at all-time high

New data released by the New York City Police Department shows that police stopped and frisked more people in 2011 than any other year in history.

The numbers are staggering: 684,330 people were stopped by the police last year. That's a 14 percent increase when compared with the year before and a 600 percent increase since 2002, the first year the NYPD began collecting data on its controversial stop-and-frisk practices.

The police tactic has long been criticized as racial profiling by organizations like the New York Civil Liberties Union and the Center for Constitutional Rights.

Though Police Commissioner Ray Kelly has said officers target the most crime-ridden neighborhoods, 87 percent of those people stopped in 2011 were black or Latino,

87%

87 percent of people stopped by the NYPD in 2011 were black or Latino.

according to police statistics.

"Last year alone, the NYPD stopped enough totally innocent New Yorkers to fill Madison Square Garden more than 30 times over," NYCLU director Donna Lieberman said. "It is not a crime to walk down the street in New York City, yet every day innocent black and brown New Yorkers are turned into suspects for doing just that."

The NYPD's stop-and-frisk strategy was introduced under the administration of former Mayor Rudy Giuliani, but it has been stepped up over the last decade. The NYPD has conducted more than 4.3 million street stops under Mayor Michael Bloomberg's administration, according to the NYCLU. The majority of those stops, 88 percent, did not lead to an arrest or summons.

Floyd, et al. v. City of New York, et al. is a class-action lawsuit currently underway that challenges stop-and-frisk tactics as illegal.

"We allege that the NYPD's practice of stop-and-frisk is unconstitutional because the NYPD has a policy ... of engaging in stop-and-frisk without reasonable suspicion," said Sunita Patel, a CCR attorney who is litigating the case. "People of color are disproportionately impacted by the stop-and-frisk policy."





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### Cookie Monster, Elmo visit children who are ill

Sesame Street and NYU's Langone Medical Center teamed up to give some children a Valentine's Day treat they'll never forget. Cookie Monster and Elmo paid a special visit to the pediatric wing of Tisch Hospital yesterday, surprising kids with goodie bags. Christian, a 6-year-old patient at the hospital, escorted the muppets from room to room so that they could say hello to children that had to remain resting in bed. © EMILY ANNE EPSTEIN



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# **Slow down! City** Council examines speeding deaths

**♦** Meeting focuses on why more than 300 New Yorkers die in traffic accidents each year • Advocates say the NYPD should target speeding and dangerous drivers Family of man killed while riding his bike will testify

The New York City Council wants to know why NYPD officers ticket drivers more often for tinted windows than speed-

A Council hearing today will focus on dangerous driving, which advocates say contributes to the deaths of 317 New Yorkers each year in

The hearing will also examine the NYPD's response to accidents and traffic enforcement. Transit advocates say the NYPD should crack down on infractions like speeding, noting that in 2010, the NYPD issued 76,000 tickets for excessive speeding, compared to 82,000 for tinted windows, according to Transportation Alternatives.

New Yorkers are more likely to die in car crashes than from gun violence, according to Council documents prepared for the hearing.

And drivers who speed cause more accidents than distracted or drunk drivers, according to the data.

One incident that caught the Council's attention was the death of Mathieu Lefevre, a Canadian artist living in Brooklyn, who was killed in October when a flatbed truck hit him.

Lefevre was reportedly dragged and killed, and his family sued the NYPD to get information about the investi-



### **1,745**

By the numbers

Between 2000 and 2009,

34,000 New York City car

An average of 317 New

Yorkers die as a result of car

crashes each year, according

to data from 2001 to 2009.

accidents resulted in serious

34,000

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317

Between 2001 and 2010, 1,745 pedestrians and bicyclists have been killed in traffic.

### 142,485

Between 2001 and 2010, 142,485 pedestrians and cyclists have been injured. Source: City Council data/ Transportation Alternatives





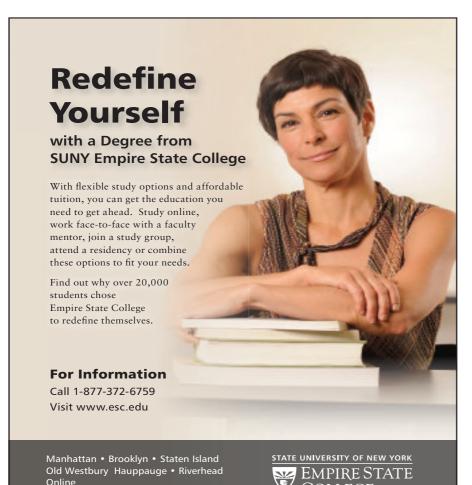
The NYPD "should take its responsibility to investigate crashes more seriously."

ERIKA LEFEVRE, WHOSE SON, ABOVE, WAS HIT AND KILLED BY A CAR



His mother, Erika Lefevre, will testify today. She has criticized the NYPD's investigation, which she said yielded no pictures of the crash scene, because the investigator's camera was broken. And charges have still not been filed against the driver, she said, who dragged Lefevre's body down the street after he was hit.

Members of the NYPD will also testify today.





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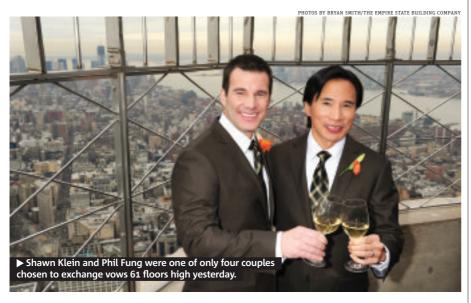
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# Same-sex couples wed on top of the **Empire State Building**



Lucky couples have been married each year on Valentine's Day on top of the Empire State Building for nearly two decades, but this year, for the first time, two same-sex couples said "I do" at the iconic New York landmark.

The sky-high nuptials yesterday followed the legalization of gay marriage in June when Democratic Gov. Andrew Cuomo signed a law making New York the sixth, and most populous U.S. state, to allow gays and lesbians to

"We just thought it would be a fantastic opportunity to get married on top of the Empire State Building, especially since it is the first year that gay marriage is allowed," said Phil Fung, a 49-year-old product manager at a financial services firm who wed his partner Shawn Klein, 51, a hospital administrator.

The couple, who live in New York, met 18 years ago at The Roxy, a famous Manhattan nightclub, and have been together ever since.

"It was love at first sight," said Fung. "We have been talking about getting married now that gay marriage was passed in New York state."

Klein and Fung will be among an estimated 21,000 gay and lesbian couples from New York who are expected to marry within the first three years of the law passing, according to a report released by the Independent Democratic Conference.

Same-sex marriage is expected to generate an estimated \$284 million for the state economy overall, the report 42,000

Nearly 42,000 out-ofstate gay and lesbian couples are expected to pick New York as a destination wedding this year, according to the Independent Democratic Conference.

year from around the country their dream wedding at the Empire State Building.

As part of their winnings, each couple received a customized wedding, gown and tuxedo and a two-night stay at the Pierre Hotel in New York.

Fung and Klein were one of four couples selected from hundreds of applicants this who submitted a video to win

### **Wedding trip** of a lifetime

For Alaskan Steph Figarelle, 29, and her partner Lela McArthur, 24, it was the wedding and trip of a lifetime.

The Empire State Building to us in Alaska is like going to Egypt to look at the pyramids. That's what makes it special," said Figarelle.

"It stands for many things," she added. "Getting



married there sets the tone for our lives together."

Alaska is among the more than 40 U.S. states where same-sex marriage is not recognized. The couple, who are both personal trainers who met while students at the University of Alaska, had been planning to marry in New York when Figarelle spotted the contest to wed at the Empire State Building while searching for wedding venues in New York.

"It was a shot in the dark," said Figarelle, adding that her mother, and her brother from Montana were due to attend the ceremony. REUTERS



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# US welcomes China's Xi with pledge of candor

President Barack Obama told Chinese leader-in-waiting Xi Jinping yesterday that Beijing must play fair in international trade and vowed to keep pressing China to clean up its human rights record.

In White House talks, Obama sought to reassure Xi that Washington welcomed China's "peaceful rise" but also signaled that frictions will remain in a growing economic and military rivalry between the two countries, despite Beijing's political transition.

Xi's meeting with Obama was the centerpiece of a U.S. visit that could help the Chinese vice president boost his international standing and show he is capable of steering his country's crucial relationship with Washington for the next decade.

Treading cautiously, Obama sought to make a smooth start with China's heir apparent while at the same time



looking firm with Beijing in a U.S. election year when voters' anti-China sentiment is running high. Obama faces a tough re-election battle against Republicans who say he is soft on China.

REUTERS



# Obama plan pledges end to 'dozens' of tax breaks

**WASHINGTON.** The Obama administration's corporate tax reform plan will end "dozens and dozens" of tax breaks, U.S. Treasury Secretary Timothy Geithner said yesterday as he defended the White House's election-year call for higher taxes on the wealthy.

Within days, the administration is set to unveil a blueprint for revamping the corporate tax system aimed at leveling the playing field for all companies, which pay wildly differing levels of taxes, while lowering the top corporate tax rate.

Companies are clamoring for a cut in the top 35 percent corporate tax rate but disagree about how to how eliminate special tax preferences that benefit selected industries. **REUTERS** 

### **News in brief**

### Still recovering despite sales data

NEW YORK. Treasuries prices rose yesterday as weaker than forecast U.S. retail sales data and lower stock prices helped sustained the popularity of safe-haven U.S. government debt.

The S&P 500 index retreated from near a seven-month high after weaker-than-expected January U.S. retail sales data curbed investors' appetite for risky assets. The data added to concerns linked to Moody's ratings cuts on six euro-zone countries late Monday.

### **UK, France face** credit rating cut

NEW YORK. Rating agency Moody's warned it may cut the triple-A ratings of France, Britain and Austria and it downgraded six other European nations including Italy, Spain and Portugal, citing growing risks from Europe's debt crisis.

Moody's move was less aggressive than rival agency Standard & Poor's, but its action puts London's prized top credit rating in jeopardy for the first time.

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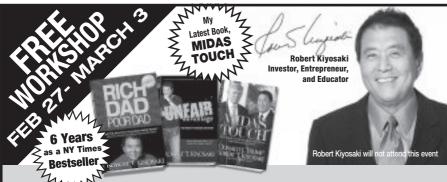
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### **Has Mitt** Romney lost his **luster?**

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Has Mitt Romney's alleged mantle of inevitability revealed itself to be a cloak of invisibility? That depends on whether you take pollsters at their word.

Three new polls give cre-dence to the latest campaign narrative: Rick Santorum is unpredictably leading the Republican primary pack. The latest of these reports, one commissioned by CBS/New York Times, shows Santorum capturing 30 percent of GOP voters, with Romney taking 27 percent, Ron Paul at 12 percent and oncefront-runner Newt Gingrich at a lonely 10 percent. (Earlier this week, Public Policy Polling data

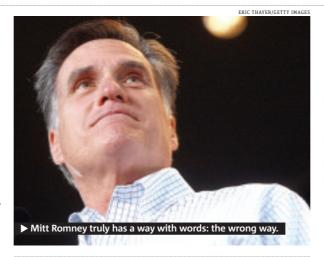


gave Santorum a 15 point lead, with Pew putting his lead at a much closer 2 points.)

Santorum, long considered a long shot, lays claim to four of nine total nominating contests so far. But is the social conservative just the latest not-Romney come lately? Only time will tell, though our guess is that Romney is likely dusting off the ol' super PAC attack machine he used with such brutal efficiency against Gingrich.

Unfortunately for Mitt, Santorum is just as un-Gingrich as he is un-Romney: He lacks the toxic baggage of the former speaker, and his consistent conservatism doesn't require him to get tangled in his rhetoric as he touts his righty credentials.

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### Romney defined

Sex columnist Dan Savage popularized the idea of Google-bombing when he forever linked Rick Santorum and frothy lube mixture. Now "Romney" has his own gross Web definition.

From spreadingromney.com comes the following new definition, now the third

result when one Googles "Romney": "Romney 1. To defecate in terror."

- The term refers to an incident in which the former governor allegedly strapped the family dog to the top of a car for a long road trip, then simply sprayed down the whole car to clean the rooftop waste.
- Animal lovers protested the candidate at this week's Westminster Kennel Club Dog Show.

### **GET FED**

**Because sometimes** you've only got time to skim the headlines:

- "NYT/CBS poll shows conservatives consolidating behind Santorum" HOT AIR
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- "Gingrich Swipes Romney In Valentine's Day-Themed Attack" **HUFFINGTON POST**
- "Is Romney More Electable Than Santorum?" DAILY INTEL
- "Mitt Romney and the Fallacy of Political 'Authenticity" CROOKED TIMBER
- "The Internal Contradictions of Mitt Romney" NYTIMES.COM

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# THEWORD



Metro's **Dorothy Robinson** shares her take on the world of gossip **& @dorothyatmetro are dorothy.robinson@metro.us** 



# Nicki Minaj versus the Catholic church

By aiming to prove to the world that she's not just Lil' Kim reincarnated, Nicki Minaj tried to make her mark on Sunday night's Grammy Awards by performing an over-the-top — and highly panned - rendition of her single "Roman Holiday." The performance featured a self-exorcism, dancing monks and nuns, burning flames and Minaj speaking in tongues. Basically, the whole production made "The Phantom of the Opera" look like high art.

And now Catholics are (understandably) angry, with the Catholic League releasing a scathing statement by president Bill Donohue, who places the blame on both Minaj and the Recording Academy, the organization that hands out the Grammys, for letting such an "offensive" performance air. "Whether Minaj is possessed is surely an open question, but what is not in doubt is the irresponsibility of the Recording Academy," he wrote. "Never would they allow an artist to insult Judaism or Islam."

In her defense, Minaj says that the Recording Academy wanted her to do "Roman Holiday." "I could have chosen to do a no-brainer pop song, but I can't do it anymore. I have to stay true to what I am doing,' she told Ryan Seacrest on his radio show yesterday.

This whole thing is so silly. Doesn't the Catholic Church have a few things to worry about other than the antics of a fame-hungry pop star's attempt for attention? And what is this "staying true to what I am doing" bull from Minaj? Is she announcing the beginning of her Radiohead phase?

But I'll tell you what is incredible: We're still talking about the usually dull Grammy Awards three days after the show aired. That has to be some kind of record.



### Say hello to Kate Upton

The 2012 Sports Illustrated Swimsuit Issue has hit newsstands — and a giant Times Square billboard — with model Kate Upton, 19, as its latest cover girl. "This means so much for me personally," she told People magazine about the airbrushed honor. "This has always been my dream."

# The feed .. words, in 140 characters or fewer.

Checking in with some of Hollywood's biggest names to see what they've been up to — in their own

Wanda Sykes is worried about Lady Gaga, Albert Brooks is trying to help solve the Greek crisis, Seth MacFarlane is catching up on reality TV and Mindy Kaling leads an exciting life.

### **@iamwandasykes**

Hmm, I wonder if Lady Gaga ever got out of that net. #grammysleftovers

### (A) Albert Brooks

If the Greeks shortened their names wouldn't they save a lot of money?

### **@SethMacFarlane**

Watched a bit of Real Housewives of Beverly Hills. Don't know how science gave that many platypuses the power of speech.

### **A**mindykaling

This Means War is based on something that happened to me.



### **Talking points**

### Lohan can't hold onto her stuff

Lindsay Lohan's run of bad luck apparently extends to her selection of a moving company, as the folks hired to haul her possessions away from her recently vacated Venice Beach home are reportedly now selling photos of Lohan's belongings, ac-



cording to Hollyscoop. Worse than that, the company is also said to be looking to sell information about where the actress plans to move and what storage facility she is currently using for her stuff.

### 'White Collar' star comes out of closet

After years of dodging questions about his personal life, "White Collar" star Matthew **Bomer** has come out of the closet, thanking his partner, Simon Halls, and the

children they have together during an acceptance speech at the Steve Chase Humanitarian Awards, according to People magazine. "I'd really especially like to thank my beautiful family: Simon, Kit, Walker, Henry," Bomer said. "Thank you for teaching me what unconditional love is. You will always be my proudest accomplishment.

### Aniston doesn't want 'picture-perfect' life

Despite all the outside focus

you should have the house, the husband, the kids," Aniston tells GQ magazine. "Kids are messy!" As for what might happen familywise with boyfriend Justin Theroux? "I still kind of go with, 'If it happens, it happens," she says. "It's not something where I'm going,

on her romantic fortunes.

interested in attaining the

Jennifer Aniston says she isn't

"picture-perfect" life. "I think that's sort of cliché, isn't it?

Like, if you want to be happy,

'I gotta have a kid!



### A little bit of 'D'oh!' for your Wednesday

- **1.** Matt Groening celebrated the 500th episode of "The Simpsons" at the Hollywood Roosevelt Hotel on Monday in Hollywood, Calif.
- 2. Nicholas Cage visited "Late Night With Jimmy Fallon" at Rockefeller Center on Monday in New York City.
- **3.** Kat Von D launched her new A/W Collection "Wolf Like Me by Kat Von D LA" at Olympia Exhibition Centre on Monday in
- **4.** Angelina Jolie and Brad Pitt were all smiles at the Cinema for Peace Gala at the 62nd Berlin International Film Festival on Monday in Germany.
- 5. Adam Lambert looked dapper while visiting fuse Studios on Monday in New York City.
- **6.** Daniel Radcliffe attended "The Woman in Black" (aka: "La Mujer de Negro") photocall at Villamagna Hotel yesterday in Madrid, Spain.
- **7.** Courtney Cox , along with the cast of "Cougar Town," handed out roses to celebrate Valentine's Day in Times Square yesterday.





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# A 'Seminar' on the artist's role

◆ Hamish Linklater opens up about how he's like his character and the path that's taken him to Broadway Q&A

# How is it getting to work with Alan Rickman?

He demands attention and you want to give it to him. He has some really long speeches that he gives to me directly — and 'm really glad that it's him giving them because otherwise my mind might wander. But he has



these laser beam eyes. And the performance is different every night, so it holds your attention. And if my mind does wander, he's certain to let me know it.

And I do a little bit of writing myself. ... Just like in the play, I've given it to him. And his notes are copious and his response is completely thorough — much nicer than onstage, but certainly just as honest and direct.



In Theresa Rebeck's "Seminar," four aspiring authors lay out \$5,000 apiece to receive feedback from a literary luminary. One of those would-be writers is the reserved and romantic Martin, played by Hamish Linklater. Though most people know the refreshingly unpretentious actor from "The New Adventures of Old Christine," Linklater actually comes from a theatrical background. He spoke with us about where he's come from and what it's like to share the stage each night with Alan Rickman — who's also been his mentor in real life.

### In the play, your character is reluctant to show his work. Do you fear criticism?

I think that's what I really related to in the character, is that I always feel like I haven't really shown myself. ... But if you're an actor, you're an extrovert. So you can't really just hide out in your apartment in Queens. ... But there's definitely that feeling of not being seen or not wanting to be seen, of being scared. I really try not to read [reviews], because good or bad they f—you up.

Martin is also quite the lady's man. Do you share that attribute with him?

### Quoted

### "I really try not to read [reviews], because good or bad they f— you up."

No. No. Part of his journey through the play is that he's not only stunted creatively, but he's also stunted emotionally. He misses this relationship that he should have with Kate [Lily Rabe] all the way through; and Izzy [Hettienne Park], the other woman, claims him.

### Do you relate to the starving artist role?

When I moved to New York I was 19, and it took me about six months to get my equity card — to get my first paid gig. I was the checkout guy at the drama bookstore and I filed death certificates at a temp agency. ... I was like, "This is great, I'm really gaining life experience!" But I was miserable. Life experience sucks. Theater experience is great. I'm really glad not to be doing that anymore.

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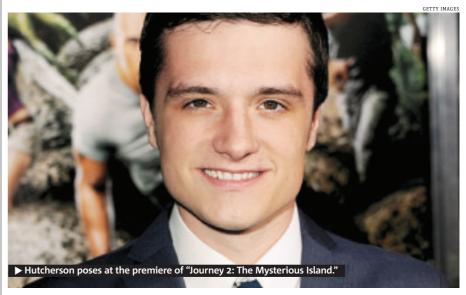
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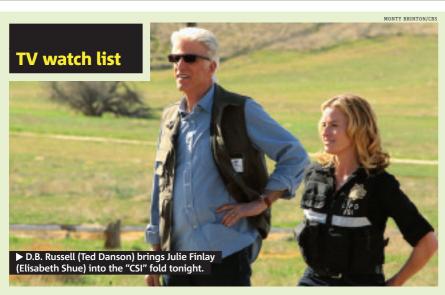
# 'Journey' man

▶ Josh Hutcherson takes on two big franchises this year
♦ 'At the moment, [life] hasn't changed that much. But as far as how I'm looking ahead, I'm a little bit nervous





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### **'CSI: Crime Scene Investigation'**

DRAMA. Tonight Elisabeth Shue steps in where 12-year "CSI" vet Marg Helgenberger exited last month. Shue plays Julie Finlay, a blood-spatter expert who's called by D.B. Russell — with whom she has a "past" — to help solve a murder case.

10 p.m., CBS

'Survivor: One World'

REALITY. Season 24 opens in Samoa with the requisite twist — this time, the competition is girls vs. guys. But just as the teams are divided by gender, the next unexpected rule is revealed, and the contestants find out they'll all be living together in the same camp.

Season premiere, 8 p.m., CBS

### 'Suburgatory'

**COMEDY.** Tessa runs for student body president on an antisports platform, which will

probably lead to as much success as if she ran with an anti-Facebook campaign. 8:30 p.m., ABC

### 'Revenge'

DRAMA. Note to Emily: When you're planning a grand vendetta, choosing "fire and ice" as the theme of your engagement party seems to be tempting fate. Tonight, fate arrives, and it's not in a very celebratory mood.

10 p.m., ABC



hile he spent most of his teenage years churning out major motion pictures, 19-year-old Josh Hutcherson is keenly aware that as far as fame goes, he hasn't seen anything yet. This year, he co-headlines "Journey 2: The Mysterious Island" with Dwayne Johnson — who's stepping in for "Journey to the Center of the Earth" co-star Bren-

### Your character in 'Journey 2' seems to have bad luck with father figures.

dan Frasier. And then Hutcher-

son has a little something

called "The Hunger Games"

hitting theaters next month. A

fan of understatement, Hutcherson describes the coming

months as "a little daunting."

Yeah, a bit. He's having a hard time dealing with that, and I think that because his father wasn't around originally he

### "It's going to be a little life-changing, possibly, but I'm on board. I'm excited about it."

JOSH HUTCHERSON

has a tough time kind of coping with the new guy that's sort of come into his life.

I think with Dwayne, you see

### How was it having Dwayne Johnson step in to replace **Brendan Frasier?**

him be the big action guy and then also the charming "Tooth Fairy" kind of role, and then this one I think kind of combines those two worlds. He brought a lot to the table, and he obviously has a giant fan base as well. He's just, like, a good guy. Any sort of physical intimidation that you'd feel at first is whacked away by his funniness and his down-toearthness.

### Is a third film in the franchise in vour mind at all? Has there been talk or contracts for that yet?

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For sure. They've had a lot of talks about it. They're kind of waiting obviously to see how this movie performs and whatnot. Hopefully if this one does well then they'll come to me again.

### Has there been a focus or effort by yourself or your team to find more franchise-type films?

No, not so much. I think if anything it's been a bit of the opposite - now that I have the "Hunger Games" and "Journey" franchises, to move on to something that's more of an indie kind of film. I'm looking for something that really intrigues me and something where I can really kind of play something different from everything else that I'm doing.



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### **About** those **'Hunger** Games' ...

### With "The Hunger Games" coming up, this is a big year ahead for you. How are things changing for you?

At the moment, it hasn't changed that much. But as far as how I'm looking ahead, I'm a little bit nervous, just based on what the expectations are for the movie. It's going to be a little life-changing, possibly, but I'm on board. I'm excited about it.

The casting process for "The Hunger Games" was one of the most contested, heated



### online discussions I've ever seen. How was it to be on the actors' side of that?

The fans are extremely loval. and any time you see them lashing out or whatever you want to call it, it's coming from a place of passion. I personally didn't look at anything like that. I never really went online. I'd only heard through hearsay what other people were talking about, really. So for me it's exciting. I know some people kind of take it a little more seriously than others. For me. it's kind of one of those things where it's just that — it's very passionate — and to hear the fans being that into it, whether it be positive or negative, just makes you realize how important — to them and for me as an actor — how important it is to do right by them.

### And exactly how violent does it aet?

We stay true to the book as far as the realistic-ness of the violence, but at the same time the way that [director Gary Ross] kind of captured the violence — the way it's edited — is in a way that makes it appropriate for PG-13 audiences to see without being dishonest to the brutality that the books portray.



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# Crashing around Cape Town

### Denzel Washington and Ryan Reynolds come out (relatively) unscathed after shooting nonstop action spy thriller 'Safe House'

It must get dull, filming so many studio films in stupid old Hollywood. Luckily for Ryan Reynolds and Denzel Washington, their most recent release allowed them a fascinating break from the norm. "Safe House," a thriller set both in the gleaming city of Cape Town and the desolate townships that lie outside of it, provided plenty of eye-openers for both actors.

"If you're from the United States and you go over there, you can't really believe what you're seeing," says Reynolds regarding the impoverished Apartheid-era townships, which remain populated to this day.

Washington, who readily recalls the day he had breakfast with Desmond Tutu and lunch with Nelson Mandela, also notes how South Africa's violent past still haunts the county's citizens.

"It was interesting talking to an elderly man who built a nice house for himself in the township," Washington says. "It's like, 'Well, why are you living out here in the township? Why don't you move towards the beach?' He's like, 'Oh no, I don't trust these people. They might change their mind.'"

"Safe House" uses Cape Town primarily as a backdrop to the central plot about a rebel CIA agent (Washington) captive in the hands of an inexperienced safe house agent (Reynolds), but the research Washington put into the film wasn't just focused on what it's like to be a spy. Instead, he studied up on sociopaths, given that his character displays that disturbing behavior. "I thought most sociopaths were violent. In fact, they are not," he says. "They just want to win. There was one sociopath that would steal things in the post office and get there the next day because he wanted to see how everybody was trying to figure out what he knew. I guess it's a feeling of power."





### Waterboarding, car crashing and a black eve

Ryan Reynolds was spooked by being in the driver's seat of a car that was being controlled by a remote (and going incredibly fast towards a wall), but Denzel Washington gets the real bragging rights, considering he got waterboarded and took a hit to the eye, all in the name of cinema.

### Were there any injuries on the set?

**DW:** Ryan gave me a black eye. There's a scene where I reach

out and try to choke him when I have my handcuffs on. We were flying around in the car and he wasn't actually driving the car. It was being controlled by someone else, so it just happens that when I reach forward, he was flying back and "POW!"

RR: And that was my early retirement. That first look you gave

me after it happened.
DW: It was a real look.
RR: It was very real. It was weird to feel my face on fire.
DW: Yeah it was strange. I've never had a black eye in my life, now I can't say that any more.
RR: I'm glad I was your first. If it was going to be anybody, it was at least an apologetic Canadian.







# **How Jimmy Kimmel** earns nearly \$2 million annually via YouTube

This savvy late-night comic has one of the most-viewed YouTube partner channels of all time • How that viewership made him mad moola

Nighttime talk show host Jimmy Kimmel is the latest mainstream performer who's found it possible to make a mint without solely relying on traditional broadcasting and promotional channels.

His solution? YouTube.

Kimmel's channel, called JimmyKimmelLive, features clips and recaps — typically running under five minutes each from every episode of the comedian's popular late-night talk show. Kimmel's channel has more than 300,000 subscribers. and many of the videos have acquired millions of views on top of his substantial broadcast television audience on ABC.

It is YouTube's 98th mostviewed partner channel of alltime, according to site information. YouTube's partnership program invites creators of extremely popular videos to monetize their uploads via ad-hosting or rentals while splitting the income with YouTube.

For Kimmel, the double-dipping is paying off — his YouTube channel generates between \$1 million and \$2 million annually, "a person close to the show tells The Wall Street Journal.

But Kimmel is not the only star entertainer who has found that bypassing traditional broadcast and advertising revenue streams isn't just for viral-video

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Number of subscribers to Jimmy Kimmel's YouTube channel

maniacs who edit away in their mothers' basements.

In December, the comedian Louis CK offered his most recent standup performance video for download from his website for just \$5. He skipped the costs of distribution, marketing and advertising, and lowered the incentive for fans to illegally download the video for free. He hauled in \$1 million in just 12

Jimmy Kimmel and Louis CK have both managed to leverage the world-flattening power of the Internet to reach new fans and find new ways to reach old fans while still making a buck (or a million). But you have to wonder whether their success and the success of other performers who follow their paths will undermine their ability to turn the huge profits still best-enabled by mass-market consumption.

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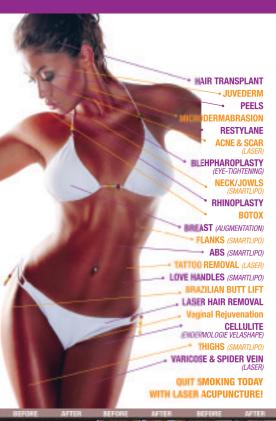


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# ANGLOPHILIA!



• Marc Jacobs, Donna Karan and Betsey Johnson are just some of the designers churning out British-inspired clothes

### **Reviews**

**Marc Jacobs** Like the cold front that blew in this week from across the Atlantic, an undercurrent of Anglophilia swept through the shows yesterday. Marc Jacobs, New York's most prominent and influential architect of trends, showed a directional collection of layered ensembles that made subtle nods to the Queen's land. It capped off a day peppered with references to the United Kingdom. From the first look out — a giant, furry Stephen Jones-designed hat piled on an outfit that included a cape worn over a voluminous coat on top of a slick, tiled, opalescent dress over cropped trousers and pilgrim shoes — the show had an air of madcap sobriety to it. Each piece in and of itself was luxurious (richly embroidered skirts, lavish brocades and elaborately engineered patchwork coats), but worn in such a way that it created a sense of pathos. It was as if Jacobs' muses were guarding themselves against brutally glacial, hard times — wearing their clothes as both creative statement and protective armor. This collection may have been wild, but it seemed to capture the current climate (both social and meteorological) in a way that few designers have this week. In terms of what that means for your wardrobe, expect Jacobs' play on proportion and layering to trickle down to your favorite mass-market store faster than you can say Elizabeth II.

2 Donna Karan Collection
This show was really two in
one. Karan opened with her Casual Luxe collection, which, according to the press notes, was
"tailored for the streets of New
York" but on the runway

♠ KENYA HIINT





appeared to stem from Balmoral Scotland. These were heavily layered cold-weather looks with cozy, chunky, shearling outerwear; oversized tartan blanket knits; and sweeping kilts. It was a strong, covetable collection that, if expanded, could have easily been the main attraction. Instead, Karan segued into blacktie dressing for her main line. It featured mannish pinstriped suits and sexy twists on tuxedo dressing topped with perky little fedoras designed by Stephen Jones. The tailored looks impressively advanced the general feeling of polished sophistication in the air this week. But it was her rough and rugged plaid offerings at the beginning of the show that were the most memorable. • KH

**Rodarte**Over the past few years, Kate and Laura Mulleavy's following has grown considerably, thanks to their lower-priced collaborations with Target and Opening Ceremony. That might, in part, explain the increasingly wearable direction they nudge their line toward with each season. Their artful clothes were long the stuff of magazine

editorials, gallery openings and movie premieres (Natalie Portman, Dakota Fanning and George Lucas all sat front row at yesterday's show). But any one of the Outback-chic coats, rustic dresses and sweet separates the sisters showed for autumn could transition seamlessly to the street. Their beautifully constructed shearling coats — sure to be a hot item next fall — were the kind of winter item a girl could live in every day, while the laser-cut leather dresses that followed could easily and surprisingly go from a work day to night out. And yet all of the clothes maintained that cool, rarefied quality we associate with the brand. Let's just cross our fingers that this new wearability leads to a secondary line that their growing legions of fans can afford. @ KH

### **Betsey Johnson**

Betsey Johnson has toned down the crazy. (OK, maybe just a little.) Inspired by England's mod scene in the '60s, she started the show with black-and-white houndstooth shorts and a floorlength black coat that were unaffectedly cool. In true Betsey style.

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an assortment of looks (casualwear, workwear and, of course, playwear) and prints (pretty florals, stripes, plaids) followed. But unlike seasons past, they were less busy and had a more mature and wearable sense to them. Don't get us wrong there were still plenty of cute, over-the-top elements: an orange coat with neon-pink, faux-fur trim; voluminous, strapless dresses; and one animal-print, skintight jumper that would make Catwoman blush. But this is a collection you can see on more than just purple-haired tweens with Hello Kitty lunch boxes. And in case you're worried, she still ended the show with a cartwheel-into-splits on the runway. **® TINA CHADHA** 

### Ohne Titel

Technically, Flora Gill and Alexa Adams' hyper-graphic woven knits were almost too good. Their checked jackets, scarves.

dresses and skirts were the kind of impressive feat that looks so special on the salesroom floor that you feel compelled to invest in it. But then you take it home and realize it makes you look like a graphic design experiment. It was a specific look that requires a specific woman to pull off. The more subtly printed pieces that came toward the end of the show (striped, body-hugging dresses; sleek trouser suits and a streamlined leather shift) had a broader appeal. 🌑 KH

### Jenny Packham

It felt like an Oscar night preview show at Jenny Packham as per usual. Taking her cues from the vixens of film noir, Packham sent '40s-inspired gowns down the runway. There were long, lean silhouettes and pencil skirts belted at the waist; short, sparkly, one-shoulder cocktail dresses; sleek, sexy jumpsuits; and just to shake things up, a voluminous, floralprinted showstopper. But any nominees worth the golden statue should choose the glamorous and slightly subversive oat-colored gown with the plunging neckline and crystal-embellished shoulders that snake up and around the neck like a choker. She would be a winner in our book. 🚳 TC

### Erin by Erin Fetherston

Guests enjoyed cake pops and cocktails during Erin Fetherston's fall presentation for her lower-priced line. The girl knows a thing or two about setting the scene for a party — and dressing for one. "You can never go wrong with a little black dress that has a hint of sparkle," she told us. Her new collection of mostly evening looks featured whimsical whale and feather prints, sexy cutouts and, of course, some dreamy shimmer. But it's not all fun and games -Fetherston is intent on running a successful business. When asked if she has plans to bring her signature line back, she responded, "Right now I am totally focused on the Erin collection. I really love designing a collection that has creative integrity and that is ultimately accessible." Cheers to that. @ TC

### From the Twitterverse



### **Hilarious tweets** from the shows

### @DerekBlasberg

Best moment of Marc Jacobs' show? When Jared Leto walked in and a certain editor loudly asked, Is that the figure skater? #missyoujohnnyweir

### **Abryanboy**

I think it's funny how fashion people seem to be allergic to gloves

### **A**JoeZee

I stopped a cab in the middle of Westside Hwy, scaled a middle partition & darted thru moving traffic to get to Jason Wu's show.



### Stephen Jones' big day

The hat-maker's work has been popping up all over New York Fashion Week, appearing in two of yesterday's biggest shows. He created the tiny top hats for Donna Karan Collection and the massive, pimped-out furry numbers for Marc Jacobs a milliner for all sizes!

Other shows with hats: Prabal Gurung, Yigal Azrouel and Nicole Miller.

### Trending

▶ 1. United Kingdom references (Marc Jacobs, Betsey Johnson, Karen Walker) 2. Rich embroidery (Preen, Marc Jacobs, Tracy Reese)

3. Plays on black and white (3.1 Phillip Lim, Donna Karan Collection, Ohne Titel)

4. Flared pants (Altuzarra, Nicole Miller, Prabal Gurung)



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### **Bare your** soul to a new partner

If you're through with perusing the bar for your next date, **SoulCycle** has got you covered: The cycling studio's first-ever SoulSingles ride is taking place this Thursday at 7:30 p.m. in Tribeca. Yeah, we know what you're thinking: "How am I ever gonna meet someone during a spin class?" But Soul-Cycle will be doling out body paint (fun!) so you can scrawl your Twitter handle on your frame and connect with fellow riders after class. For details, call 212-406-1300. 

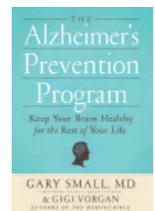
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# Alzheimer's: 'People have more control than they think'

Dr. Gary Small, author of 'The Alzheimer's Prevention Program,' tells us why our day-to-day habits matter • Sure, keep doing those crossword puzzles It takes a lot more than that, but it's all within your reach

ou may think you're too young to start thinking about Alzheimer's disease, but that's not the case, says Dr. Gary Small, co-author of "The Alzheimer's Prevention Program: Keep Your Brain Healthy for the Rest of Your Life."

"We have been able with our new brain-scanning technologies to peer into the brain and see Alzheimer's buildup," he says. "What we found is that you get plaques and tangles decades before you get symptoms. Some people hear that and it freaks them out, [but] to me it's something positive: It means that we can identify people very early on for experimental treatments, and it really



tells us that all of us should start protecting our brain, even when we're younger."

So how exactly can we do that? Dr. Small came up with a seven-day plan.

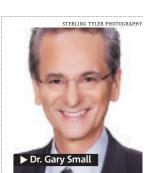
"'The Alzheimer's Prevention Program' lays out what you need to do for seven days to get you on a healthy brain lifestyle no matter what your age," he says. "A challenge for all of us is taking the information we know about what's good for us and actually doing something about that — so not eating the steak and fries at 11 o'clock at night but maybe having a healthier diet throughout the day, trying to achieve your optimum body weight, trying to keep your mind active and

agile. What we're trying to do is make it not overwhelming."

ut the author says you can't just try this lifestyle on for size. "Science doesn't say, 'Hey, just do this for seven days and you won't get Alzheimer's.' It says if you continue these kinds of habits over a period of time, you will stave off the symptoms, and the goal is to try to delay the onset of symptoms for as long as possible, and ultimately for the rest of your life."

To view Dr. Small's first day on the plan, visit www.metro.us.





### **How does** Alzheimer's progress?

New studies are suggesting that the debilitating condition spreads not unlike a virus does throughout the brain. When tau, a protein in our brains, does not fold properly, a domino effect takes hold, furthering the misfolding of the protein throughout the brain.

"Think of folding the way we might fold a piece of paper into a paper airplane," Dr. Small says. "If we misfold it, the paper airplane won't fly and will crash to the ground. Similarly, the tau protein is no longer functional in stabilizing cell membranes and it becomes insoluble. which likely disrupts and interferes with normal brain cell transmission."

Newly armed with this knowledge, scientists are theorizing that they can identify where the unraveling begins — and thus put a halt on the progression.

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### Dr. Small debunks the myths

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### **▶** Sometimes I forget my keys or where my phone is — I must be getting Alzheimer's.

"Normal age-related memory slips are common. Everybody, by the time they reach their 40s, has these experiences, and even younger people have them. Often memory slips have to do with distraction or stress - lots of different reasons."

### ▶ If I do crossword puzzles, I won't get Alzheimer's.

"That's not enough. You've got to do more than exercise your mind to really reap the benefits of a brain-healthy lifestyle. It's about tapping in-

"For the average person, genetic factors only account for about a third of the risk." DR. SMALL

to several areas of your life: diet, physical exercise, mental exercise, stress management, having good relationships, staying connected with people — that synergy among those different strategies is what it's all about.'

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### Nurturing moms leads to brainier kids

**Study subjects:** 92 preschool children

Location of study: U.S.

Results: A study published
online in the "Proceedings of the
National Academy of Sciences,
Early Edition" states that schoolage children whose mothers nurtured them had a larger
hippocampus, the part of the
brain key for learning, memory
and stress response.

**Significance:** The first relationship in a child's life is with its mother, setting the blueprint for all of the child's relationships moving forward. This is the first

evidence showing a correlation between a supportive parent and changes in a child's brain.

### Americans not as fat

**Study subjects:** Caucasian adults **Location of study:** U.S.

**Results:** White Americans have dropped bloodstream trans fatty acid (TFA) levels by 58 percent over the last decade, the CDC has found.

Significance: Health regulations banning TFAs in restaurants and food production were noted as a reason for the reduction. TFAs increase levels of LDL, the "bad" cholesterol. LINDA CLARKE

# How to snack smart

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Here's a whole bunch that meet my criteria.



### For SWEET cravings

- ➤ Yogurt and berries: 6 ounces nonfat plain, flavored or Greek yogurt topped with ½ cup berries
- Apple slices with peanut butter: 1 apple or half banana with 1 level tablespoon nut or seed butter (peanut, almond, soy, sunflower, etc.)
- ▶ Homemade trail mix: ½ cup healthy whole grain cereal mixed with 1 tablespoon dried fruit (raisins or dried cranberries) and 1 tablespoon nuts (almonds or peanuts)
- Chocolate protein pudding: 6-ounce plain nonfat Greek yogurt mixed with 1 packet low-fat hot cocoa mix
- ▶ Fruit and yogurt smoothie: ½ cup nonfat vanilla yogurt, ½ cup skim milk and ½ cup fresh or frozen fruit (plus 3-5 ice cubes) blended

### When you're in the mood for a SALTY snack

- ➤ Soy crisps: A snack bag of plain or flavored soy crisps
  ➤ Nuts: ¼ cup nuts
  (anything goes: almonds, cashews, toasted walnuts or pecans, peanuts, roasted soy nuts or 30 pistachios in the shell)
- ➤ Turkey roll-ups: 4 ounces turkey breast rolled with lettuce, tomato and mustard ➤ Edamame: 2 cups edamame (green soybeans) in the pod

### If you're a CHEESE lover

- ▶ Rice cake, tomato and cheese: 1 rice cake topped with tomato and 1 slice reduced-fat cheese
- Cinnamon cottage cheese with red pepper sticks: ½ cup low-fat or nonfat cottage cheese (plain or sprinkled with cinnamon) with red pepper
- Unlimited celery sticks with 4 level tablespoons reduced-fat or nonfat cream cheese ► String cheese and fruit: A piece of fruit (apple, orange, peach, plum, etc.) with 1 low-fat string cheese

► Cream cheese and celery:



# And for the times you need HIGH-VOLUME

- Nonstarchy vegetables with low-cal dip: Unlimited nonstarchy veggies (cucumber slices, bell pepper sticks, baby carrots, celery sticks, grape tomatoes, broccoli, cauliflower, sugar snap peas, etc.) with salsa, low-cal dressing or ½ cup hum-
- Air-popped popcorn: 4 cups air-popped popcorn, plain or lightly sprayed with an oil mister and sprinkled with optional seasonings like cinnamon, Cajun blend or 1-2 tablespoons parmesan cheese

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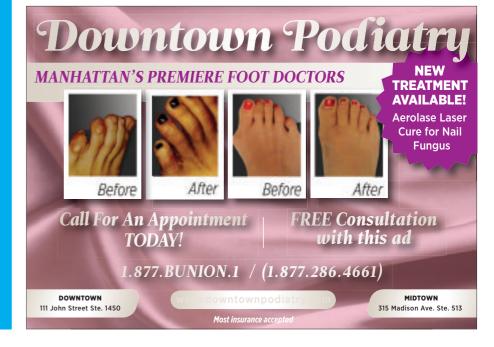


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# Cycle for Survival: Why I rode

Despite founder Jennifer Goodman Linn's passing in July, the event she founded to raise money for rare cancers, Memorial Sloan-Kettering's Cycle for Survival, took place over the weekend. We asked celebs in attendance on Sunday what got them up early to pedal.



### **Seth Meyers**



Meyers, a third-year participant, hosted Weekend Update on "Saturday Night Live" just hours before he rode!

"I've never lucked out — they've always been after a show. I knew Jen for a long time so I was really lucky to get involved with this in the beginning. It's such a great event and every time you meet better people. It's really inspiring and certainly this year, after losing Jen, this is the most important year."

### Fthan Zohn

The "Survivor" winner is currently fighting Hodgkin's lymphoma.

"For me, to see everyone is pretty inspiring. To see hundreds of complete strangers pedaling their asses off to raise money for cancer research that's gonna fund a drug that'll save my life mean, how cool is that? They're riding for people they'll never even know and people they'll never even meet. That's pretty honorable that people will do that for other people. The drug that I'm on now wasn't available two years ago, so it's events like this that fund it for cancer research."



### **Kristin Chenoweth**



"My mom's a cancer survivor. I just hope that word continues to get out there so that Sloan-Kettering and places like MD Anderson that help my mom can have just all the money that they need to help people with cancer"

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### Time for change: Cuts, cuts and cuts

RE: "WHO WILL DECIDE AMERICA'S **DESTINY?":** If [White House Budget Director| Jack Lew really thinks that "we can't cut our way to growth" then I suppose he must believe the opposite to be true and we must be able to spend our way back to economic solvency. How this logic can make sense to anyone is beyond me. HANS HAUGEN, ASTORIA

From the discussions that I have had with both Democrats and Republicans, a clear message resonates: Mr. Oba-

ma's version of America with big government controlling everything is not what we were sold three years ago. So now it is once again time for change. STERLIN RICHMAN, VIA E-MAIL

### Obama policies not an attack on faith

RE: "SIMPLY PUT, ANYTHING THAT PRESIDENT OBAMA DOES IS AGAINST PEOPLE OF FAITH":

There is absolutely nothing that the Obama administration has done that is against religion. The health care reform legislation scrupulously denies any government funding for abortion and allows Roman Catholic institutions to not pay for contraception. Simply put, there is a segment of the U.S. population that will not support this administration. regardless of facts or logic! KATHY KOURIAN. VIA E-MAIL

Does anyone actually believe that "Obama is against people of faith"? Perhaps he's simply trying to keep religion out of government? DEB BENDOR, VIA E-MAIL

Mr. Hemphill is right that any

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policy the president advances will surely offend someone's religious sensibilities; that's just life in a diverse country. As for freedom of choice, Mr. Hemphill can certainly choose not to have an abortion. But neither he nor anyone else have the right to deny that choice to anyone else. JOSEPH CONNELL, BROWNSVILLE

The Constitution's first amendment guarantees that congress shall make no laws shall respecting the establishment of religion before it prevents prohibiting the free practice thereof. CHARLES BOSSE, VIA E-MAIL

Rocky Lore calls Democrats anti-Christian and uneducated. So if I don't believe in Santa, am I anti-gifts? ROBERT LA ROSA, WHITESTONE

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### Horoscope

Aguarius Ian. 20-Feb. 19. Guard against thoughtlessly taking full credit for something that others had a part in, just because it's easier than explaining the full story.

H Pisces Feb. 20-March 20. If you haven't been getting the type of mileage you thought you would from your budget, find out why.

T Aries March 21-April 19. The world isn't going to open up any obvious paths for you to follow; you'll be the one who decides what you want and where you want to go.

¥ Taurus April 20-May 20. Forbidden fruit might beckon you, but that does not mean you have to respond.  ${
m I\hspace{-.1em}I}$  Gemini May 21-June 20. There is nothing more valuable than your reputation; and once it's gone it's usually gone forever.

Gancer June 21-July 22. An alliance of convenience is likely to be tested. If what binds this union isn't tough enough, and it probably isn't, the results could be disappointing.

 $oldsymbol{\Omega}$  Leo **July 23-Aug. 22.** Don't attempt to stand by a product to which you aren't proud to affix your name, just because you don't think it will be closely scrutinized by others.

TV Virgo Aug. 23-Sept. 22. Be on your best behavior, because social involvements are likely to have a significant effect on your reputation at this point in time.

← Libra Sept. 23-Oct. 23. If what you do for others doesn't come from the goodness of your heart, people will quickly pick up on it and suspect you of an ulterior motive.

M Scorpio Oct. 24-Nov. 22. Even if your intention is to be helpful, others will take unsolicited suggestions you make as criticism of their work. ✓ Sagittarius Nov. 23-Dec. 21. With

an eye to the future, manage your resources as prudently as possible.

V3 Capricorn Dec. 22-Jan. 19. You might find yourself facing a situation where tough love is called for. Don't give in to a youngster if you know that what the child wants could be risky. BERNICE BEDE OSOL

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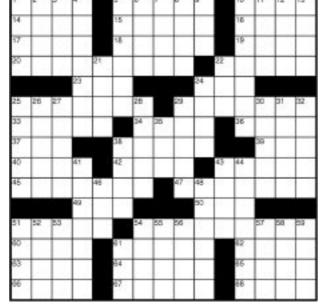
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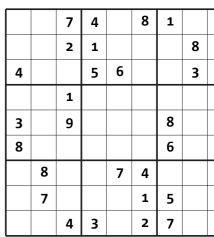


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# Lundqvist magnificent in shutout win

While nothing is awarded in February, the muscle memory of a 3-0 win over the Bruins last night could serve the Rangers well if the Original Six rivals meet this spring.

Henrik Lundqvist made 42 saves to record his NHL-leading seventh shutout. He is now second on the Rangers' all-time list with 42. Lundqvist trails just Hall of Famer Ed Giacomin, who has 49.

Ryan Callahan, Ryan Mc-Donagh and Artem Anisimov scored for the Rangers, who increased their Eastern Conference leading point total to 79.

Much like the Bruins were in their Cup run last spring, the truth about the Rangers is that the whole is greater than the sum of its parts. But

their most indispensable player is their goaltender. Lundqvist is authoring a



season that could see him win the Hart and Vezina trophies. Should he earn both awards the second period last night could be key. Lundqvist turned away all of Boston's 14 shots, including a handful of spectacular saves.

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# Lin to the rescue

Point guard hits game-winner, final six points to bring team back
 Overshadows Stoudemire's 21 points in first game back on squad

The exchange rate in Canada on Linsanity is apparently the same as in New York.

The legend of Jeremy Lin continued last night as he hit a 3-pointer from the top of the arc with 0.9 seconds left on the clock to give the Knicks the win.

Lin scored the final six points of the game to earn the 90-87 victory — the Knicks' sixth straight.

Lin finished with 29 points and 11 assists, while Stoudemire had 21 and nine rebounds in his first game back since the death of his brother Hazell last Monday. He played 34 minutes in his return.

Moments before the eventual game-winning 3-pointer, Lin drove to the basket for a bucket and the foul. He made the free throw to tie the game at 87 with just over a minute left.

Toronto's Leandro Barbosa missed a 3-pointer from the right side with 44.9 seconds left and the Knicks' Iman Shumpert came up with the rebound.

Tyson Chandler struggled much of the night, but he came up with the crucial offensive rebound off a Shumpert miss with 21.8 seconds left. The shot clock reset and the Knicks set up for what would be Lin's game-winner.

The return of Stoudemire to the Knicks' lineup didn't get off to the start many had hoped for.

They got off to an ugly start, allowing the Raptors to jump out to a 28-21 lead after the first quarter on the back of 90

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Jose Calderon's 12 points. They further stretched their lead over the second quarter, pushing it to as much as 17 points at 47-30. But the Knicks chipped away, going on a 6-0 run — started by a Lin 3-pointer — to end the first half.

Lin had 15 points and 10 assists through three quarters, before exploding in the final quarter for 14. He played a game-high 43 minutes.

Chandler finished with 13 points and nine rebounds, while Landry Fields had eight points, seven rebounds and seven assists.

The team struggled trying to incorporate the returning Stoudemire early. He was just 2-of-9 in the first half with eight points.

The Knicks got just 13 bench points in the game, eight from Shumpert, while the Raptors had 32. Linas Kleiza had 15 of those, while Barbosa added 13.

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### Nets' Lopez makes return to practice

He may not do much to help an 8-21 Nets team in the standings, but fantasy players and trade watchers will be happy to know center Brook Lopez practiced for the first time yesterday.

Lopez could even return to the court before the Feb. 24 All-Star break according to coach Avery Johnson.

Lopez has missed all season with a broken foot suffered against the Knicks in their second preseason game.

He would be the centerpiece of any Dwight Howard trade. • METRO

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### In the news

### Pineda in camp

New Yankees starter Michael Pineda was so eager to be a Yankee he didn't wait for camp to open.

Pitchers and catchers report Feb. 19, but Pineda arrived in Tampa yesterday and began throwing.

He told reporters he was eager to get to work. "I'm working hard to help my team make it to the playoffs," he said. Pineda was

Pineda was acquired in a trade from Seattle.



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### PRICIEST \$26M

The most expensive property listed this week is a five-story mansion at 15 E. 80th St. After several months off the market, this beaux-arts townhouse with its own elevator is listed by Corcoran for \$26M.

### STREETERS

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# Hipcycle puts a new spin on green decor

Recycled home-goods site Hipcycle.com is as much about quality and design as it is about eco-friendliness

First, let's get one thing straight: Hipcycle.com is not Etsy. While the site does offer picture frames made from old vinvl records and lampshades crafted from discarded (and cleaned) chopsticks, it's not a hippie artist free-for-all.

"A lot of people think we're like Etsy, but we're more like Amazon — we're a much more curated site of upcycled products," says founder and "Chief Hipcycler" Andrew Sell of the site, which he runs out

of Asbury Park, N.J.

As Sell points out, "upcycling" — or finding new purposes for previously used materials — is certainly nothing new: Necessity has made previous generations get crafty with old floorboards, and drinking glasses made from wine bottles have their trendy moment everv couple decades. But what was missing, as he saw it, was a onestop online shop for creatively recycled wares.

For now, Hipcycle — which debuted late last fall - skews heavy on the furniture and home goods. And while the focus is on environment-friendly products, it's not necessarily the main draw. "We're not leading with a message that 'Hey, this is green' - we're offering products that are as attractive and durable as mainstream products," says Sell.



### Top 3

Sell's favorite pieces now available at Hipcycle.com:

1. Picture frame made from a tin roof (\$46)

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### **Real estate**

### **Just-sold CPW** mansion to hit rental market for \$110,000 a month

A 13-room townhouse at 247 Central Park West recently sold by Keith Monda, the former president of handbag company Coach, is now set to hit the rental market in the next few days for a staggering \$110,000 per month, listing broker Matthew Lesser of Leslie J. Garfield told The Real Deal yesterday.

Despite the sale having hit public records last month, the identity of the new owner of the property, who is being represented by Lesser in the rental listing, still remains a mystery; he's in public records as an LLC. Lesser declined to comment on his client, saying just that the owner currently lives abroad.

"My client purchased the house to live in it," Lesser said. "Because he and his family live overseas, his plans changed and he has chosen to lease the house for a





certain period of time."

Monda, who first put the 12,000-square-foot mansion on the market in April 2010 for \$32 million, ultimately closed on the sale of the property for just \$22.38 million in January — still a record price for the sale of a city townhouse. The highest price paid for a townhouse prior to the transaction was \$19.3 million at 26 West 76th



Street in 2010.

Despite the hefty asking rent, Lesser said he's confident he'll find a renter for the property, which is located between 84th and 85th

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# **Brooklyn rents** skyrocketing

Parts of the borough have higher per-square-foot rates than Manhattan D Brooklyn Heights, Cobble Hill, Park Slope and now Williamsburg are the most pricey

Do some research before bidding ciao to Manhattan and moving to Brooklyn for historically cheaper rents. According to a January rental report by New York City residential sales and marketing firm MNS, some Brooklyn neighborhoods have higher price-per-square-foot rental rates than Manhattan.

"It's always been the case that certain areas of Manhattan are more desirable; now, certain areas of Brooklyn are more desirable," says Andrew Barrocas, CEO of MNS. "Williamsburg and DUMBO now have that desirability, whereas there are some parts

"With real estate in New York. neighborhoods tend to impact the price more so than the borough." AMIR KORANGY

in Manhattan that haven't kept up." Barrocas cites Manhattan's Upper East Side and the Financial District as having considerably lower rents because of transport and building issues.

Amir Korangy, publisher of New York real estate magazine The Real Deal, agrees.

"While most people as-

sume Manhattan is the most expensive borough to live in, areas like Brooklyn Heights, Cobble Hill, Park Slope and now Williamsburg are all on par with parts of Manhattan. With real estate in New York, neighborhoods tend to impact the price more so than the borough."

As millions of development dollars flood both the Financial District and the Upper East Side, Barrocas thinks prices will rise there within five years. In Brooklyn, he predicts higher rents will spread out: "Other areas of Brooklyn will absolutely go



### On the up-and-up

There's no good news for renters in either Brooklyn or Manhattan.

MNS predicts rents will rise across the board in 2012. 2011 saw mean increases of 9.6

percent for a one-bed in Brooklyn, raising an average rent of \$2,018 to \$2,211. In Manhattan, rents generally rose by around \$200 per month for a one-bed, too, but in the Financial District, less desirable buildings saw rents drop by around 3.6 percent for one-bedrooms.

up," he insists.
"It's interesting," Barrocas adds. "Twelve years ago, people moved to Williamsburg for lower rent. Now people are moving there because they want to live there and are willing to pay premium prices."

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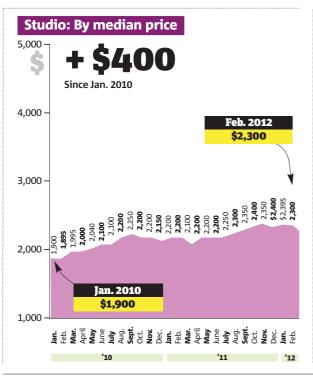


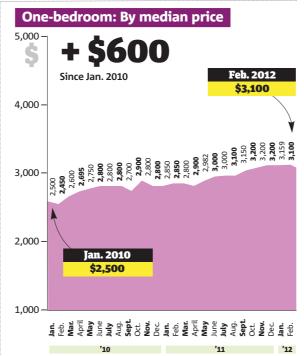


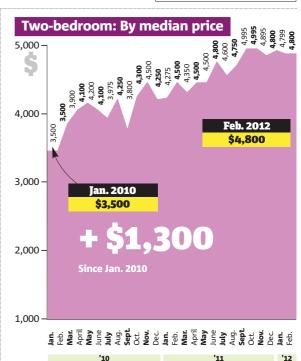
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